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it stinks. i'm embarrassed that the DOJ thinks this arrangement will benefit anyone other than Microsoft.

Microsoft is the worst kind of monopolist. they have viciously predatory practices. they don't foster innovation, they dismember any company whose innovation is potentially threatening to their corporate goals. they threaten "partners" with unpleasant ramifications in order to maintain "product integrity". they bilk consumers with constant "upgrades" which don't maintain backward compatibility ("planned obsolescence"), thereby enforcing "churn" in software subscriptions, license fees, and the like.

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